

Education

Tiffin



Johnson County
I-80 westbound at milepost 240
Artist: David Dahlquist
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Traditionally, Iowa students score among the highest in the country on the most common college entrance exams, the ACT and SAT. With the home of the ACT organization located in Johnson County, and the area's emphasis on education with the University of Iowa nearby, the education theme was a perfect fit.

The outer points of interest include picnic shelters designed with features similar to an old school house. Front pillars are fashioned to look like stacks of books. The masonry is designed to look like bookshelves with book bindings listing classic literary works. Oversize replicas of children's building blocks are incorporated into the planters and lighting features.

Inside the structure, there are mosaic tile murals of Iowa's Old Capitol and a rural scene.

